

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
The  
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### A Message from your Rector



Dear St.Paul's Parish Family,

Greetings to each of you in the name of Jesus! I write to you with joy as we journey through autumn and in to the winter months together. We have had much to celebrate this past month (thank you for all who participated in the Annual Pork Dinner!), and as All Saints Day is upon us on November 1st, we continue to walk with one another toward the Thanksgiving holiday and the liturgical season of Advent. We are preparing together for the birth of our Lord and the reality that God is among us as a human being in Jesus Christ. Please join us after the 10am service on Sundays in Advent in the Sepe Room-we will be reflecting on Word and Art from 11:30AM-12:30PM on November 29th and December 6th, 13th and 20th— just bring yourself! All are welcome!

I would like to take a moment to thank each and every one of you for all of the energy, preparation, work and love that went in to the Institution service on Saturday, October 10th. What a wonderful day we had together! Thank you for your care for me and for each other as we marked the event of installing me as your Rector. It is my honor and privilege to serve with you as a parish family here at St.Paul's. Thank you for welcoming me from the start in May, and for making the Institution so incredibly special. And now, onward we go!

Monday, November 2nd is All Souls Day and St.Paul's is offering an Evening Prayer service at 5:30PM in church that day. Please join us as we remember those who have gone before us.

Our annual Fall clean up day is scheduled for Saturday, November 7th at 10am (please bring your rakes and leaf blowers!) with a November 14th rain date. All levels of help are desired, needed and welcomed! We have inside work to do as well as outside – THANK YOU for your help!

Our annual Holiday Craft Fair is Saturday, November 14th from 10AM-4PM-  
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*Sunday Services*

*Holy Eucharist  
8AM-Rite I  
10AM-Rite II  
With music*

*9:45AM- Sunday School  
Join us for fellowship and refreshments following the 10 AM service*

*Wednesday  
9:15AM Morning Prayer*

*Friday  
5:30PM Evening Prayer*

Please contact Terri Ghee at 914-635-2717 to be involved, and come and enjoy the fair!

Our Mid Hudson regional Youth Group, CONNECT, is gathering this month on Sunday, November 29th from 2:30PM-4:30PM right here in St. Paul's in the parish hall- we will feed the teenagers a delicious Thanksgiving meal- all are welcome and bring your friends!!!!

May the peace of God be with you all, and I look forward to seeing you soon at St. Paul's Episcopal Church! *Mother Megan*

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Photos of the Institution

Rev. Canon Rider, Bishop Dietsche, Rev. Canon Person



Mother Megan and her Mom cut the cake!

### Update on the PV Ecumenical Food Pantry

The food pantry continues to provide food from the Food Bank and other items donated by parishioners that most of us consider necessary to our daily comfort such as personal items, detergents, shampoo, toothpaste etc. Our volunteers are caring and non judgmental which makes the experience of our customers very pleasant. (It must be nice to feel that your needs are being met without begging). Because of your unbelievable support these special items are available. It is amazing how each Sunday it takes an extra person, other than the ushers, to bring the donations forward for a blessing. We also gratefully accept cash donations. A jar is located in the church vestibule for those donations.

You have been very generous, however recently the Budget Committee met and feel it is time for all the churches involved in this ministry to help the Methodist Church (where the pantry is located) with their expenses for housing the pantry. (ex: utilities, refuse, snow removal, office/admin.) A donation of \$80. per month from each church would cover these expenses.



**Please note:** Fellowship at Madison's the first Wednesday each month following UMC. Everyone is welcome.

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### Thrift Shop Cleaning and Reorganizing

On October 10th, from 9:30am to 2pm, the St. Paul's Thrift Shop got a needed cleaning and reorganizing. If you get a chance, please stop by to see the changes! The following people helped and we'd like to thank them: Rick Harris, Barbara Horner, Ginny Johnson, Bill & Marilyn Kirchner, Ellen Kutner, Barbara Rawls, Kay Saderholm, Ken Towers and Babs Wilcox. It was really great to see everyone pitch in and bounce ideas off one another.

We cleaned up a lot and moved and changed things around. The following was accomplished: We removed the shoe shelving and disposed of it (no small task since it was put together very well and weighed a lot!), The white wood shelves in the back were also dismantled, disposed of and new strong shelving was purchased and assembled. It was then ready to be used for display. All the bags stored in the closet that contained donations were sorted and either hung up or donated to the SPCA, Lutheran Care Center, Presbyterian Church or Hudson River Housing. Coats were donated to Guardian Self Storage for the coat drive. The closet floor and shelves in the rear of the Thrift Shop were scrubbed, the womens' blouse section was rearranged and extra hangers were removed and donated. With the new shelves, improved display sections and new light bulbs our customers will have a totally improved shopping experience.

Cleaning and organizing inventory are tasks that are continuously being handled at the Thrift Shop however the extra help that came forward to removes shelving, assemble and install new shelving and do the "heavy work" was amazing. We really appreciate the fact that whenever the Thrift Shop workers need assistance the people of St. Paul's step right up to help! Thanks everyone!

The Thrift Shop is the largest fundraising activity at St. Paul's. If you are interested in joining our staff please contact Ginny Johnson (635-2702) or Babs Wilcox (635-8285) to let them know when you might be available. If you can only volunteer a few times a year that would be much appreciated.

Thanks again everyone! **Stay Tuned for the next Help The Thrift Shop**





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Church is a Christian  
family of caring  
people who strive to  
support and nurture  
each other and  
their community  
through faith and the  
grace of God.**

## November Happenings

Nov. 1st- All Saints Day

Nov. 2nd- Monday 5:30pm-Evening Prayer-Necrology- for All Souls Day

Nov. 3rd-Tuesday- Election Day

Nov. 4th-Wednesday- St.Paul's volunteers at UMC Food Pantry

Nov. 7th- Saturday- Fall clean up- starts at 10a.m.-(rain date Nov.14th)  
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Nov. 9th- 7pm- Vestry Meeting- 6:30 Committees meet.

Nov. 11th- Veteran's Day

Nov. 24th-Tuesday- Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service (Date, time and place to be announced.)

Nov. 29th-2:30-4:30PM- St.Paul's parish hall-CONNECT YOUTH GROUP Thanksgiving dinner. (see pg.2)

Dec. 5th- Saturday- Poinsettia pick up at the parish hall. Remember to place your orders with Barbara Haight 635-2854. Don't forget to place your pre-paid orders.



Dec. 8th- Tuesday- 5-7pm- A small handful of volunteers are needed to provide dinner for the Living Well program in Poughkeepsie. Contact Mother Megan with questions and to be involved.

### Coming Soon:

Nov.27,28,29- Dec.5&6,Dec.12&13)-Fabulous Firs Event- Barb Rawls is needing volunteers for St. Paul's Food Trailer (contact # 635-8517 or cell 845-505-0048)

Bridges to Community- Frank Pepe will be bringing an AV presentation and share experiences and wisdom about this mission.

Fellowship night at Madisons 7-8:30pm is planned to begin January 13th. All are welcome and bring your family and friends for food and fellowship.

Movie Night at the Rectory coming in January. What night and movies would work for you. Suggestions are welcome. Contact Mother Megan.

**REQUESTS:** The **refrigerator** in St.Paul's trailer has seen better days! If you know of a gently used replacement refrigerator 18.5cu.ft. 27by27 please speak to Rick Harris or leave a message at St. Paul's at 914-635-2854.

**Snow removal-** Our vestry is trying to decide whether to hire an independent company to remove the snow from our sidewalks or buy a snowblower then try to hire someone reliable to use it to remove sidewalk snow. The Vestry would appreciate any recommendations as the winter season is quickly approaching. Thank you.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES  
November 2015

2. Amber Towers
4. Roberta Weidler
5. Chris Keenan
7. Daryl Haight
9. Alice Cann
10. Sue Haight
11. Gerald Haight
12. Dawn Macak
13. Caitlin Rouse
16. Barbara Haight
19. Angela Herrmann
20. Harold & Sandra House
23. Jason Caferra  
Barbara Albrecht
24. Roger Tumbarello
28. Janet McCanlis



**A Message from your Stewardship Committee**

As you know October was Stewardship month. For those of you who returned your JOYFUL GIVING CARD thank you very much. If you have misplaced your card and wish to receive another card, or if you have questions or concerns please contact our treasurer Marilyn Kirchner at 914-635-3431. Thank you for your attention to this matter. We need the pledges returned in order to complete the budget process in November.

Thank you.



**WORDS OF WISDOM**

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea,  
*We thank you, Lord.*

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,  
*We thank you, Lord.*

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,  
*We thank you, Lord.*

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,  
*We thank you, Lord.*



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*A BLESSED THANKSGIVING AND ADVENT TO EVERYONE*